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REMARKS

Claims 1-21, 23-41, 55-56 and 61-62 remain pending in the application. Claims 50-53 have been canceled.


Claims 1, 55 and 61 are independent.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 1-21, 23-41, 61 and 62 are allowable.

Claims 50-51 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over US Patent 6,620,188 (Ginsburg) and Claims 52-53 were rejected as being unpatentable over Ginsburg in view of US Patent 5,174,299 (Nelson). Each of these rejections is respectfully traversed. However, in order to place the application in condition for allowance, Claim 50-53 have been canceled.

It is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are now clearly in condition for allowance and prompt review and issuance is accordingly requested. Should the Examiner be of the view that an interview would expedite consideration of this Amendment or of the application at large, request is made that the Examiner telephone the Applicants' undersigned attorney at (908) 518-7700 in order that any outstanding issues may be resolved.

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